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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 11 September 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Ethiopia/Eritrea (S/2001/843)

Other matters

WORKING GROUP ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

3.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Consultation Room

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

3 p.m.	1st PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Finland
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation
3. Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee
4. Election of the President of the General Assembly

Immediately following the plenary meeting		General Assembly Hall

Consecutive meetings of the Main Committees for the purpose of electing their Chairmen

Immediately following the meetings of the Main Committees	2nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

UNRWA: Programme budget 2002-2003

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Second regular session of 2001

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	33rd meeting	Conference Room 2
4 p.m.-6 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 2

UNFPA: Financial, budgetary and administrative matters [8] (DP/FPA/2001/10, DP/FPA/2001/11, DP/FPA/2001/12)

[There will be a meeting of donors *today*, 11 September 2001, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room B.]

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DRAFTING GROUP
(Special session of the General Assembly on children)

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations to consider the draft outcome document "A world fit for children" contained in document A/AC. 256/CRP.6/Rev.3

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), *today*, 11 September 2001, at 10 a.m. (sharp) in Conference Room 7.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 11 September 2001

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

GROUP OF 77
(on the Second Committee agenda items)

3 p.m.- 4.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES
(on the Eleventh Ministerial Meeting)

4.30 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 12 September 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 3

Organization of work of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/BUR/56/1 and Add.1)

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ON CHILDREN
(19-21 September 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 3) in the debate on children is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001). The provisional list of speakers (No. 3) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations that were unable to participate in the drawing of lots may still inscribe on the list of speakers by contacting Ms. Carmencita Dizon (room S-3001D).

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the twenty-seventh session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials may be sent to the Secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel.: (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A).

List of speakers

The list of speakers of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the special session of the General Assembly on Children is now open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Ad Hoc Committee (room S-2977E; tel.: (212) 963-5143, 963-5314 or 963-2356).

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FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Credentials

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials may be sent to the Secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel.: (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A).

High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership (Overall theme: Responding to globalization: facilitating the integration of developing countries into the world economy in the twenty-first century)
(17-18 September 2001)

Plenary meetings

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings of the high-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation through partnership, is now open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Ms. Carmencita Dizon (tel.: (212) 963-5063; room S-3001D). Requests may also be sent by fax to (212) 963-3783 or by e-mail to dizon@un.org.

Ministerial round tables

The first of two ministerial round tables, on the topic "Enhancing the integration of developing countries in the emerging global information network, facilitating access to information and communication technology for developing countries", will be held on Monday, 17 September, from 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., in Conference Room 3. The second ministerial round table, on the topic "Promoting the integration of developing countries into the world economy and generating new public and private financing resources to complement development efforts", will be held on Tuesday, 18 September, from 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3. There will be no list of speakers for the ministerial round tables.

Informal panels

The first of two informal panels, on the topic of "Enhancing the integration of developing countries in the emerging global information network, facilitating access to information and communication technology for developing countries", will be held on Monday, 17 September, from 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3. The panellists will be Mr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh, Chairperson, Arab Knowledge Management Society, Cairo; Mr. Salamão Manhiça, Executive Secretary, ICT Policy Commission, Maputo; Prof. Swasti Mitter, University of Sussex, United Kingdom; and Mr. Sirous Nasseri, CEO, ICT Services Corporation, Teheran.

The second informal panel, on the topic "Promoting the integration of developing countries into the world economy and generating new public and private financing resources to complement development efforts", will be held on Tuesday, 18 September, from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3. The panellists will be Prof. Felipe Larraín, Instituto de Economía, Universidad Católica de Chile; Mr. Jay Naidoo, Chairperson, Development Bank of Southern Africa; and Mr. John Williamson, Senior Fellow, Institute for International Economics, Washington, DC.

Background information for the high-level dialogue is available on the following Web site: www.un.org/ga/56/dialogue.htm, and is also available for pick-up by delegations outside room DC1-1420.

General debate
(24-28 September, 1-5 October 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 3) for the general debate of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001. The provisional list of speakers (No. 3) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

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The Third Committee of the General Assembly will hold its organizational meeting on Wednesday, 3 October 2001, and begin its substantive work on Monday, 8 October. Copies of the preliminary draft programme of work are available in the office of the Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950).

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The Second Committee of the General Assembly will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 4 October 2001, at 3 p.m., and begin its substantive work on Monday, 8 October. Copies of the preliminary draft programme of work are available in the office of the Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950).

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The resumed third session of the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on Financing for Development will be held from 15 to 19 October 2001. The first meeting will take place on Monday, 15 October, in Conference Room 2. The annotated agenda is contained in document A/AC.257/21 and the organization of work will be issued as document A/AC.257/L.7.

Delegations are requested to submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Ms. Vivian Pliner-Josephs (room S-2950E; fax: (212) 963-5935).

Background information on the preparatory process for the International Conference and the work of the Preparatory Committee is available on the financing for development Web site (http://www.un.org/esa/ffd).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on the Human Development Report 2002 on Tuesday, 18 September 2001, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 5. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) is scheduled to take place from 25 to 27 September 2001 at United Nations Headquarters.

Under item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.1), a general exchange of views by ratifiers and signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty on facilitating the entry into force of the Treaty is expected to take place. The list of speakers for the general exchange of views is open.

In accordance with the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. The list of speakers for statements by non-signatory States is also open.

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each.

The Secretariat also advises that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty that the Conference be attended at a high level.

States wishing to inscribe on the lists of speakers should communicate their request in writing and hand-delivered to Mrs. Hannelore Hoppe, Chief of the Weapons of Mass Destruction Branch, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140). Request may also be sent by fax to the Weapons of Mass Destruction Branch (fax: (212) 963-8892). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first-served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

For enquiries regarding the lists of speakers, please call (212) 963-5976.

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There will be a meeting of the African Group (Experts of the Sixth Committee) on Wednesday, 12 September 2001, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 on Wednesday, 12 September 2001, in Conference Room 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. *(on the Ministerial Declaration)* and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. *(Core Groups and Coordinators of the agenda items of the Second Committee)*.

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Round table

There will be a round table on the theme "Landmines and Children", organized by the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations and the Mine Action Service of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations, in cooperation with UNICEF, on Monday 17 September 2001, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and non-governemental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Akiko Ikeda, Mine Action Service (tel.: (212) 963-3822).

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Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

The Third Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction will take place from 18 to 21 September 2001 in Managua, Nicaragua.

The list of speakers for the general exchange of views, to take place on 18 and 19 September, is opened at the Department for Disarmament Affairs at United Nations Headquarters. Delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list are kindly asked to inform the Secretariat (room S-3151B; tel.: (212) 963-4472).

Delegates of States are reminded that names of representatives and of alternate representatives and advisers should have been submitted by 3 September 2001 to the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Room S-3170A, United Nations Secretariat, United Nations Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10017 (fax: (212) 963-1121). From 14 September, they should be submitted directly to the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Third Meeting of States Parties to the Mine-Ban Convention, Managua, Nicaragua, to the attention of Mr. Wolfgang Haas, UNDP Managua (fax: 011-505-2-666-909).

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As from Tuesday, 4 September 2001, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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The Web site of the French presidency of the Security Council (available in French and in English) can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.int/france.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 10 September 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4366th meeting

Security Council resolution 1160 (1998) of 31 March 1998

Letter dated 6 September 2001 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council S/2001/849)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/2001/854).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2001/854) received 15 votes in favour, none against, and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1367 (2001).

4367th meeting

The situation in East Timor

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Australia, Belgium, Chile, Indonesia, Japan, New Zealand and Portugal, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Jean-Marie Guehenno, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

The Council began its consideration of the item, hearing a briefing by Mr. Guehenno.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, the United States, Ireland, Norway, Tunisia, Bangladesh, Jamaica, Mali, Colombia, Mauritius, Ukraine, China and Singapore, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of France.

The Council then heard statements by the representatives of Belgium (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, as well as the associated countries Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, and the EFTA countries members of the EEA, Iceland and Liechtenstein, which aligned themselves with the statement), Australia, Japan, Portugal and New Zealand.

4368th meeting

The situation in East Timor

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2001/23).

4369th (closed) meeting

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), Annex II, A

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 10 September 2001, the Security Council, pursuant to Annex II, Section A, of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 4369th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea.

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Legwaila Joseph Legwaila, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea.

"The members of the Council had a constructive exchange of views with representatives of participating troop-contributing countries.

"Mr. Legwaila and Mr. Hédi Annabi, Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, responded to the comments and questions posed by members of the Council and representatives of troop-contributing countries."

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

112th plenary meeting

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [59]

(a) Report of the Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council (A/55/47)

(b) Draft decision (A/55/47, para. 34)

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision contained in paragraph 34 of the report of the Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council (A/55/47).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 59.

Agenda items remaining for consideration during the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly

The President recalled that the following agenda items, on which action had been taken by the General Assembly at previous plenary meetings, still remained for consideration during the fifty-fifth session of the Assembly:

Item 10 Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization

Item 11 Report of the Security Council

Item 12 Report of the Economic and Social Council

Item 17 Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Item 20 Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance

Item 26 Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union

Item 32 United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations

Item 40 The situation in the Middle East

Item 41 Question of Palestine

Item 42 Special session of the General Assembly in 2001 for follow-up to the World Summit for Children

Item 43 The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development

Item 45 The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Item 46 The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security

Item 50 Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa

Item 60 United Nations reform: measures and proposals

Item 73 General and complete disarmament

Item 84 United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

Item 94 Sustainable development and international economic cooperation

Item 101 High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development

Item 112 Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

Item 114 Human rights questions

Item 115 Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

Item 116 Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Item 117 Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

Item 118 Programme planning

Item 120 Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

Item 121 Pattern of conferences

Item 122 Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

Item 123 Human resources management

Item 124 United Nations common system

Item 125 United Nations pension system

Item 126 Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Item 127 Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

Item 128 Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

Item 129 Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola

Item 130 Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991)

Item 132 Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone

Item 133 Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo

Item 134 Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor

Item 135 Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

Item 136 Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan

Item 137 Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force

Item 138 Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East

Item 140 Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters

Item 143 Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

Item 144 Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia

Item 148 Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Item 150 Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti

Item 152 Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic

Item 153 Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Item 164 Measures to eliminate international terrorism

Item 166 Election of judges of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

Item 167 Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Item 168 Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999

Item 169 Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Item 175 The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict

Item 176 Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea

Item 179 Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome in all its aspects

Item 182 Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit

Item 185 Election of judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

The President recalled that these items had been included in the provisional agenda of the fifty-sixth session of the Assembly, with the exception of items 118, 120, 125, 166, 168, 169 and 185.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of the aforementioned items.

Closure of the fifty-fifth session

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly observed a minute of silent prayer or meditation.

The President then declared closed the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Ratification: Yugoslavia (6 September 2001)*

Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty. New York, 15 December 1989

Accession: Yugoslavia (6 September 2001)*

Customs Convention on Containers, 1972. Geneva, 2 December 1972

Accession: Yugoslavia (6 September 2001)*

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Ratification: Yugoslavia (6 September 2001)*

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Yugoslavia (6 September 2001)*

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Yugoslavia (6 September 2001)*

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Yugoslavia (6 September 2001)*

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Ratification: Monaco (6 September 2001)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

International Coffee Agreement 2001. London, 28 September 2000

Ratification: India (10 September 2001)*

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Ratification: Chile (10 September 2001)*

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 4 November 1993

Acceptance: Namibia (10 September 2001)*

Multilateral Treaty Framework: An Invitation to Universal Participation Focus 2001: Rights of Women and Children (United Nations Headquarters)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from 19 September until 5 October 2001 at Headquarters. Arrangements will be made for the treaty actions to be undertaken in a formal setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 14 August 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations are also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by *14 September 2001* for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the above event will be provided closer to 19 September 2001.

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual DPI/NGO Conference

The fifty-fourth Annual DPI/NGO Conference, on the theme "NGOs Today: Diversity of the Volunteer Experience", will continue *today*, 11 September 2001, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. For further information on the plenary sessions and workshops of the Conference, please visit the DPI/NGO Web site (www.un.org/dpi/ngosection) or call the NGO Section (tel.: (212) 963-0786). Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Briefing

The briefing for delegations on the special security arrangements for the twenty-seventh special session of the General Assembly on children will be held *today*, 11 September 2001, at 1.15 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Access to the Secretariat Building

Non-governmental organizations wishing to access the United Nations Secretariat during the twenty-seventh special session of the General Assembly on Children will have to be accredited to the special session. The Registration Desk for non-governmental organizations approved for accreditation to the special session will be located in temporary facilities situated at the north garden entrance at 48th Street and 1st Avenue. For further information, please call UNICEF at (212) 824-6323.

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